

Summary of the rules of the round of grant funding for the recruitment of pre-doctoral researchers (FI-SDUR 2024).

This summary is of no legal effect

Purpose of grant funding round

The purpose of FI-SDUR grants is to fund the recruitment of pre-doctoral researchers so that they conduct their doctoral studies within the Catalan university system.

The doctoral theses funded by these grants must fit within one of the **thematic areas of intervention** as set out in the Horizon Europe 2021-2024 Strategic Plan, which is available at <https://op.europa.eu/en/web/eu-law-and-publications/publication-detail/-/publication/3c6ffd74-8ac3-11eb-b85c-01aa75ed71a1>. Consequently, applicants must state on their forms the thematic area that best fits their proposal.

The list of the thematic areas can be found on AGAUR website.

Eligible organisations and departments

The list of the grants awarded to university departments and other university research structures can be found in the grant rules and below in this document. All the universities within this list can apply to this call.

Applicant universities are responsible for hiring pre-doctoral researchers recipients of a FI SDUR grant.

UNIVERSITAT DE BARCELONA

Departament	Nombre d'ajuts
ANTROPOLOGIA SOCIAL	1
BIOLOGIA CEL·LULAR, FISIOLOGIA I IMMUNOLOGIA	1
BIOLOGIA EVOLUTIVA, ECOLOGIA I CIÈNCIES AMBIENTALS	1
BIOLOGIA, SANITAT I MEDI AMBIENT	1
BIOMEDICINA	1
BIOQUÍMICA I BIOMEDICINA MOLECULAR	1
BIOQUÍMICA I FISIOLOGIA	1
CIÈNCIA DE MATERIALS I QUÍMICA FÍSICA	1
COGNICIÓ, DESENVOLUPAMENT I PSICOLOGIA DE L'EDUCACIÓ	1
DINÀMICA DE LA TERRA I DE L'OCEÀ	1
EDUCACIÓ LINGÜÍSTICA I LITERÀRIA, I DIDÀCTICA DE LES CC EXPERIMENTALS I LA MATEMÀTICA	1
ENGINYERIA ELECTRÒNICA I BIOMÈDICA	1
ENGINYERIA QUÍMICA I QUÍMICA ANALÍTICA	1
FARMÀCIA I TECNOLOGIA FARMACÈUTICA, I FISCOQUÍMICA	1
FARMACOLOGIA, TOXICOLOGIA I QUÍMICA TERAPÈUTICA	1
FILOLOGIA CATALANA I LINGÜÍSTICA GENERAL	1
FILOLOGIA CLÀSSICA, ROMÀNICA I SEMÍTICA	1

FILOSOFIA	1
FÍSICA APLICADA	1
FÍSICA DE LA MATÈRIA CONDENSADA	1
FÍSICA QUÀNTICA I ASTROFÍSICA	1
GENÈTICA, MICROBIOLOGIA I ESTADÍSTICA	1
HISTÒRIA DE L'ART	1
HISTÒRIA ECONÒMICA, INSTITUCIONS, POLÍTICA I ECONOMIA MUNDIAL	1
HISTÒRIA I ARQUEOLOGIA	2
MATEMÀTIQUES I INFORMÀTICA	1
MÈTODES D'INVESTIGACIÓ I DIAGNÒSTIC EN EDUCACIÓ	1
MINERALOGIA, PETROLOGIA I GEOLOGIA APLICADA	1
NUTRICIÓ, CIÈNCIES DE L'ALIMENTACIÓ I GASTRONOMIA	1
PATOLOGIA I TERAPÈUTICA EXPERIMENTAL	1
PSICOLOGIA CLÍNICA I PSICOBIOLOGIA	1
QUÍMICA INORGÀNICA I ORGÀNICA	1

UNIVERSITAT AUTÒNOMA DE BARCELONA

Departament	Nombre d'ajuts
BIOLOGIA ANIMAL, DE BIOLOGIA VEGETAL I D'ECOLOGIA	1
BIOLOGIA CEL·LULAR, DE FISIOLOGIA I D'IMMUNOLOGIA	1
BIOQUÍMICA I DE BIOLOGIA MOLECULAR	1
CIÈNCIA ANIMAL I DELS ALIMENTS	1
CIÈNCIA POLÍTICA I DE DRET PÚBLIC	1
CIÈNCIES DE LA COMPUTACIÓ	1
CIÈNCIES DE L'ANTIGUITAT I DE L'EDAT MITJANA	1
ENGINYERIA QUÍMICA, BIOLÒGICA I AMBIENTAL	1
FILOLOGIA ESPANYOLA	1
FILOSOFIA	1
FÍSICA	1
GENÈTICA I DE MICROBIOLOGIA	1
GEOGRAFIA	1
HISTÒRIA MODERNA I CONTEMPORÀNIA	1
MATEMÀTIQUES	1
MEDICINA	1
MEDICINA I CIRURGIA ANIMAL	1
PEDAGOGIA APLICADA	1
PSICOBIOLOGIA I DE METODOLOGIA DE LES CIÈNCIES DE LA SALUT	1
PSICOLOGIA BÀSICA, EVOLUTIVA I DE L'EDUCACIÓ	1
QUÍMICA	1
SANITAT I D'ANATOMIA ANIMALS	1
SOCIOLOGIA	1
TRADUCIO INTERPRETACIO I ESTUDIS ÀSIA ORIENTAL	1

UNIVERSITAT POLITÈCNICA DE CATALUNYA

Departament	Nombre d'ajuts
CIÈNCIA I ENGINYERIA DE MATERIALS	1
ENGINYERIA AGROALIMENTÀRIA I BIOTECNOLOGIA	1

ENGINYERIA CIVIL I AMBIENTAL	2
ENGINYERIA DE SISTEMES, AUTOMÀTICA I INFORMÀTICA INDUSTRIAL	1
ENGINYERIA ELÈCTRICA	1
ENGINYERIA ELECTRÒNICA	2
ENGINYERIA MECÀNICA	1
ENGINYERIA QUÍMICA	1
ESTADÍSTICA I INVESTIGACIÓ OPERATIVA	1
FÍSICA	3
PROJECTES ARQUITECTÒNICS	1
TECNOLOGIA DE L'ARQUITECTURA	1
TEORIA DEL SENYAL I COMUNICACIONS	2

UNIVERSITAT POMPEU FABRA

Departament	Nombre d'ajuts
CIÈNCIES POLÍTIQUES I SOCIALS	1
MEDICINA I CIÈNCIES DE LA VIDA	1
TECNOLOGIES DE LA INFORMACIÓ I LES COMUNICACIONS	1
HUMANITATS	1
DRET	1
TRADUCCIÓ I CIÈNCIES DEL LLENGUATGE	1
COMUNICACIÓ	1
ECONOMIA I EMPRESA	1

UNIVERSITAT DE GIRONA

Departament	Nombre d'ajuts
ENGINYERIA MECÀNICA DE LA CONSTRUCCIÓ INDUSTRIAL	1
ENGINYERIA QUÍMICA, AGRÀRIA I TECNOLOGIA AGROALIMENTÀRIA	1
BIOLOGIA	1
HISTÒRIA I HISTÒRIA DE L'ART	1
CIÈNCIES AMBIENTALS	1
PEDAGOGIA	1
QUÍMICA	1
ECONOMIA	1
INFORMÀTICA, MATEMÀTICA APLICADA I ESTADÍSTICA	1
DRET PÚBLIC	1
FILOLOGIA I COMUNICACIÓ	1

UNIVERSITAT DE LLEIDA

Departament	Nombre d'ajuts
CIÈNCIES MÈDIQUES BASIQUES	1
CIÈNCIA ANIMAL	1
QUÍMICA, FÍSICA, CIÈNCIES AMBIENTALS I DEL SÒL	1
MEDICINA EXPERIMENTAL	1
CIÈNCIES DE L'EDUCACIÓ	1
ENGINYERIA INDUSTRIAL I DE L'EDIFICACIÓ	1
CIÈNCIA I ENGINYERIA FORESTAL I AGRÍCOLA	1

UNIVERSITAT ROVIRA I VIRGILI

Departament	Nombre d'ajuts
BIOQUÍMICA I BIOTECNOLOGIA	1
CIÈNCIES MÈDIQUES BÀSIQUES	1
ENG. ELECTRÒNICA, ELÈCTRICA I AUTOMÀTICA	1
ENGINYERIA INFORMÀTICA I MATEMÀTIQUES	1
ENGINYERIA MECÀNICA	1
ENGINYERIA QUÍMICA	1
HISTÒRIA I HISTÒRIA DE L'ART	1
QUÍMICA ANALÍTICA I QUÍMICA ORGÀNICA	1
QUÍMICA FÍSICA I INORGÀNICA	1

UNIVERSITAT OBERTA DE CATALUNYA

Departament	Nombre d'ajuts
ESTUDIS D'ARTS I HUMANITATS	1
ESTUDIS DE DRET I CIÈNCIA POLÍTICA	1
ESTUDIS DE PSICOLOGIA I CIÈNCIES DE L'EDUCACIÓ	1
ESTUDIS D'ECONOMIA I EMPRESA	1
ESTUDIS D'INFORMÀTICA, MULTIMÈDIA I TELECOMUNICACIÓ	1

UNIVERSITAT RAMON LLULL

Unitat de recerca	Nombre d'ajuts
IQS SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING/ESCUELA TÉCNICA SUPERIOR	1

UNIVERSITAT DE VIC-UNIVERSITAT CENTRAL DE CATALUNYA

Unitat de recerca	Nombre d'ajuts
FACULTAT DE CIÈNCIES, TECNOLOGIA I ENGINYERIES	1

Requirements for candidates

a) **Have finished the studies that allow access to a doctoral program between 1 January 2021 and the date of submission of the application.**

Exceptionally, the period stipulated to accomplish the studies will be extended by three years (up to 1 January 2018) if the candidate has done or undergone any of the following situations following the completion of the studies:

- Taken maternity or paternity leave.
- Been responsible for children under the age of six.
- Been responsible for people with a legally recognised physical, mental or sensory disability.
- Suffered a serious illness or accident that required major surgery or treatment in a hospital and caused temporary incapacity for the person's usual occupation or activity for a minimum continuous period of 6 months.
- Experienced any of the circumstances described in Article of the Gender-Based Violence Act.
- Been recognised as a refugee under the Geneva Convention 1951.

Alternatively, **candidates who at the time of submitting the application are enrolled in a master's degree program that allows them to access the PhD program for the 2024-2025 academic year** may also apply for the call. In the case of directly accessing the doctoral program from undergraduate or equivalent studies, without the need to complete master's studies, these must be completed before the submission of the application.

Candidates who after 1 January 2021 have qualified for one of a specialization in health sciences within the specialist healthcare training system can also apply, and the exceptions listed above also apply.

b) **Have a minimum grade** average in their undergraduate studies **equal to or greater than 6.5 (scale 0-10)**.

In the case of studies completed abroad, the minimum average grade is calculated under the declaration of equivalences of average grades in academic transcripts set out in the current decisions of the Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities (https://universidades.sede.gob.es/pagina/index/directorio/Equivalencia_notas_medias/language/ca_ES).

c) At the time of submission of an application, not to have been awarded a doctoral degree or have been awarded any grant for the recruitment of FI or FI SDUR grant (pre-doctoral programmes managed by AGAUR). Also, not to have enjoyed more than 6 months of any other contract for pre-doctoral studies.

d) At the time of joining the university, all candidates must be enrolled in a doctoral program for the 2024-25 academic year. Exceptionally, candidates for grants awarded by substitution, and non-EU candidates who join from 1st of June 2025, inclusive, may be accepted into the corresponding doctoral program and enrol in the 2025-2026 academic year at the time when this enrolment can take effect, according to the enrolment calendars of the different universities.

e) Each candidate may only be included in one application.

Requirements for thesis supervisors:

Each application should name only one thesis supervisor who may not be included in any other application and who must meet the following requirements:

a) **Have a statutory or employment relationship with the university department recipient of the grant.** That relationship must provide sufficient assurance of supervision and monitoring of the candidate's doctoral thesis throughout the 3-year grant. Part-time staff, staff on extended leave, visiting professors and emeritus professors are deemed not to meet this requirement.

b) **Be principal investigators or members of a competitive research project**, or a contract for research or knowledge transfer. In the case of contracts or agreements, they must have a minimum value of €24,000.

Those research projects, contracts or agreements must be in force or awarded at the time of submission of the application. Projects, contracts or agreements that have been

in force in the 6 months prior to the closing date for the submission of applications (first phase) will also be considered valid.

Grants to support completeive research groups recognised by the Regional Government of Catalonia (SGR) and grants to fund the recruitment of researchers are deemed not be to competitive research projects.

c) **Be part of a recognised research group** within the framework of the round of grant funding to support the scientific activity of research groups in Catalonia (**SGR-Cat 2021**).

Period

Staff employment grants last for three years. However, when a contract has been awarded to a disabled person, the contract may extend to a maximum term of six years, according to the characteristics of the research and the extent of limitations on conducting that research.

All contracts must commence on the first day of the month.

Grant amount and eligible expenditure:

a) Costs of **salary expenses and contributions** for all welfare programmes for hired researchers. Those expenses are calculated using the modular system based on the salary fixed under the Spanish pre-doctoral researchers' regulations (EPIF), with a correction factor for the financial impact of leave for Temporary Disability which may be revised before or after the grant award decision.

The module for years 1 and 2 of the grant is €23,018.53 per researcher employed and the annual module for year 3 of the grant is €24,673.98.

b) One **supplementary grant** to fund research stays and other training activities up to €3,000.00 for the whole of the three years of grant, that will be applied and managed through the university.

c) The **costs of the management, supervision and continuous assessment of the doctoral thesis** over the successive years of grant support (PhD programme enrolment fees).

d) Any **compensation for termination of employment due to expiry of the agreed term**.

Applications for grants

Grant applications must be submitted electronically in two stages.

- Phase 1 (provisional application by the candidate):

A provisional application must be submitted electronically by the pre-doctoral candidate through the "Procedures" section on the Government of Catalonia's website

(<<http://web.gencat.cat/ca/tramits/>>). The common application form comprises a general form in which the following documents must be attached:

a) An Annex document that includes a short curriculum vitae of the candidate; a technical report with a summary of the education, training and research activities expected to be achieved during the three years of the grant; the expected scientific objectives and results; the expected applicability and knowledge transfer and the social, economic and scientific impacts of the research carried out.

b) The documentation to identify the competitive research project, contract or agreement to which the thesis supervisor is member.

c) All applicants must submit the transcripts for their undergraduate degree studies and master's degree studies, showing the date of award of each degree and the average grade.

d) In the case of studies completed abroad, the declaration of equivalences of the average grade of the academic transcript of the studies completed abroad under the current decisions of the Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities must be submitted

(https://universidades.sede.gob.es/pagina/index/directorio/Equivalencia_notas_medias/language/ca_ES). If the academic file of the studies does not include the description of the evaluation system used by the corresponding university, it will also be necessary to attach, within this same section, the documentation that describes this evaluation system where it is stated, at least, the maximum and minimum qualification within the system and what is the minimum grade to pass.

e) Where relevant, a copy of the supporting documentation concerning any exceptional situation envisaged in the requirements (for extended period for studies completion).

- Phase 2 (confirmation of applications made by universities):

The deadline for submission of provisional applications marks the start of a period for applicant institutions to access the AGAUR grant management application (BOGA) to confirm or reject applications submitted by candidates.

Confirmation documents must include a self-declaration of compliance with the requirements of the grant funding round.

AGAUR will verify information provided in the form and any attachments. When an application needs to be amended, notice will be given to the relevant person via the electronic noticeboard of the Government of Catalonia which identifies the basic documents and non-basic documents to be amended. That notice will include a comprehensive explanation and will state what documents must be amended within ten working days from the day after the publication of the notice. Otherwise, the applicant will be deemed to have withdrawn their application.

The documents to be amended must be submitted using the Procedure for an AGAUR File which can be found on the website of the Government of Catalonia (<<https://agaur.gencat.cat/ca/beques-i-ajuts/convocatories-per-temes/Tramit-associat-a-un-expedient-AGAUR-aportacio-de-documentacio-i-altres-peticions/>>)

Electronic procedure

All procedures related to these grants must be carried out online and use the formal models for application that can be found on AGAUR's website.

Criteria for evaluation and ranking of applications:

Universities will evaluate and rank the applications received and validated on a scale of 0-10 as follows:

a) The weighted average grade from the academic transcript of the candidate will have a minimum value of 4 points.

The weighted average grade for undergraduate studies or equivalent degree has an 80% weighting and the weighted average grade for master's studies has a 20% weighting.

If a candidate is proceeding directly to a doctorate and does not need to earn a master's degree, only the weighted average grade of their undergraduate degree studies or equivalent will be taken into account as to 100%.

If a candidate has completed more than one undergraduate degree or master's degree, only the weighted average grade of the course of study most closely related to the doctoral programme will be taken into account.

b) The evaluation of the research environment hosting the candidate will have a maximum value of 3 points. That evaluation may consider the department, the research unit, the laboratory, the research group, and the thesis supervisor.

c) The compatibility of the application with the scientific policy of the institution will have a maximum value of 3 points. That evaluation may consider matters such as the institution's strategic lines of research, the scope for knowledge transfer from the proposed research and its applicability, the distribution of grants among departments, units or research groups and an evaluation of the candidate's track record.

The evaluation criteria must consider the average grade from the candidate's academic transcript (Paragraph a) but may not cover the assessment of the training and research environment (Paragraph b) and/or the adequacy of the scientific policy adopted by the institution (Paragraph c) described above.

In order to increase the representation of women in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics), particularly in traditionally male-dominated areas, in the event of a tie, universities will prioritise applications submitted by women in those areas.

Ranking

It is the responsibility of each affiliated institution to publish its ranking criteria before the end of the call deadline.

Each affiliated institution is responsible for publishing its proposed ranking results for the applications received and to allow candidates to send any claim.

Out of the total amount of grants awarded, 2% is reserved for candidates who have an assessment of disability as to 33% or more which is recognised by the Department of Social Rights of the Government of Catalonia.

Ethical principles

Funded activities must be exclusively focused on civil applications, and the following fields of research may not be funded: activities for the purpose of the cloning of human beings for reproductive purposes; activities for the purpose of modifying the genetic make-up of human beings that could make such changes heritable (except research related to the treatment of testicular or ovarian cancer, which may be funded); activities for the purpose of creating human embryos solely for the purpose of research or for the purpose of harvesting stem cells, including by nuclear transfer of somatic cells leading to the destruction of human embryos.

Researchers must complete an ethical self-assessment in the annexed document to applications in which they must declare whether their research contemplates any of the fields described above.

Acceptance of grant and confirmation of employment of the candidate

The acceptance of grants and confirmation of the employment of candidates must be jointly recorded using a standard form signed by the legal representatives of each university.

That document must be submitted electronically by no later than two months from the day after the start of the contract and be accompanied by the following documents:

- a) A copy of the individual candidate's National Identity Document or Foreign Resident Identity Number.
- b) A copy of matriculation for the doctoral programme for the 2024-2025 academic year.
- c) A copy of the employment contract.
- d) A copy of the General Treasury for Social Security document, 'Contribution information report / Employees' (IDC).
- e) If the candidate had been recipient of a previous pre-doctoral grant, evidence must be submitted of the relevant waiver.
- h) Evidence of a separate accounting system or that a single accounting code is used for evidence of transactions relating to the grant-funded activity.

Rights and obligations of recipients

- To comply with the objective and purpose of the grant, to carry out the grant-funded activity, to account for that activity in the form and within the period established by these rules and to inform AGAUR of any incidents.
- To employ the researcher as a full-time pre-doctoral employee within the time stipulated in the rules for the relevant round of grant funding and to comply with all obligations under

the Science, Technology and Innovation Act and in the Pre-doctoral Researchers in Training.

- To bear any costs of employment that exceed the amount of the grant for the module awarded and to keep the pay of pre-doctoral researchers in training at the minimum remuneration stipulated by the Pre-doctoral Researchers in Training.
- To provide each researcher employed with the required collaboration and support, including the means or equipment required to enable them to carry out their educational and research activities.
- Not to require a researcher to perform any other activity unrelated to their educational and research work.
- To ensure due compliance with Article 4 of the Pre-doctoral Researchers in Training in relation to collaboration in teaching tasks.
- To ensure compliance with the regime of grounds for incompatibilities.
- To give notice to the grant-awarding body of any other grants requested or awarded for the same purpose and any other change to any such of which notice has previously been given as soon as the change the institution becomes aware of it and in any event before accounting for the use of the funds received.
- To comply with fundamental ethical principles under the rules for the grant funding round and with good research practice based on the fundamental principle of research integrity.
- To align with the priorities of the European Research Area (European Research Area), the principles of the European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers (*Charter & Code*) and to promote internal measures aligned with the European Human Researchers Personnel (HRS4R), so as to promote excellence in research, an attractive work environment, a framework of actions to support the development of researchers that includes:
 - the adoption of open, transparent and merit-based recruitment (OTM-R).
 - measures to enhance interdisciplinary research options and promote networking opportunities for researchers in training, including international relationships, within and outside the academic world.
 - provide senior researchers with tools to train researchers, promote good practice in mentoring and encourage training that allows researchers to access industry and other cross-industry fields of employment.
 - provide the researcher with a series of educational activities aligned with the current European Competence Framework for Researchers in the early stages of training (R1 and R2) in both scientific skills and practical skills, which provide opportunities to develop transferable skills through cross-cutting competencies such as teaching, mentoring and leadership, research management and entrepreneurship, as part of their development so as to contribute significantly to their professional careers.
 - the promotion of responsible research and innovation (RRI) with open access to publications and data management policies.

Rights and obligations of recruited researchers:

- To have matriculated for the relevant doctoral programme at the time of entering into the employment contract funded by the grant.
- To join the affiliated institution and meet the objectives and carry out the work plan included in the application under the supervision of the thesis supervisor.
- To abide by current employment law and internal rules of the organisation or institution within which they carry on their activity.

- To follow the ethical principles in the rules for the grant funding round and good research practice based on the fundamental principle of integrity in research.
- To follow the principles of the European Charter for Researchers of the European Commission.
- To request consent for research visits or activity that involves absence from the workplace under the internal rules of each affiliated institution. Absences from the workplace may not in any event exceed six months. The maximum permitted cumulative absence over the three years of the grant is twelve months.
- To provide all information requested and undergo inspections, checks and monitoring by AGAUR and other competent bodies under relevant laws.

Summary of the rights and obligations of thesis supervisors

- To plan and actively guide the thesis research project to ensure that it educates the researcher and is original and innovative and so as to enhance knowledge transfer and the social, economic and scientific impact of the research carried out.
- To supervise the progress and implementation of the work plan and educational activity, and ensure its viability and coherence in relation to current lines of research and future employment opportunities with which it is associated.
- To provide guidance, any professional and scientific support required, and advice on professional development and the various professional pathways or ensure that each researcher has access to such support.
- To promote interdisciplinary research and promote networking opportunities for researchers in training, including international relationships, inside and outside the academic world.
- To ensure proper monitoring of the terms of the rules for the grants and for this round of grant funding and notify the affiliated institution and AGAUR of any incidents.
- To comply with the fundamental ethical principles set out in clause 13.1 of Section II of the appendix to this decision and good research practice based on the fundamental principle of research integrity.

Withdrawal

If notice is given of withdrawal during the first three months counting from the day after the publication of the call results, AGAUR may award the grant to candidates from the reserve list. In the case of partial withdrawal or withdrawal after those three months, the grant will not be re-awarded as described above.

Changes and modifications

At the request of an affiliated institution, consent may be given to changes supported with adequate reasons if they do not involve a substantial change in the conditions or purpose of the grant or constitute a breach of the applicable requirements.

In the first year of employment, a change of thesis supervisor may only be made for reasons of force majeure.

Changes of affiliated institution should take place at the change of academic year.

A researcher who has been recruited must request and give notice of any changes that affect the course of their doctoral thesis or work plan to the appropriate decision-making body. Notice must be given of such changes at the time of submission of technical compliance reports.

Incompatibilities:

The provisions for incompatibilities stipulated in the employment contracts entered into the affiliated institutions under employment legislation will apply to contracts funded by these grants.

These grants are incompatible with any other grant funded by public or private funds for the same purpose and with payment of any other remuneration for any activity that overlaps in time with the educational and research activity or that may negatively affect the achievement of the purpose of a grant.

Grants regulated by this decision are compatible with payment of other remuneration for the performance of professional or research activities that are relevant to the educational objectives of the grant including supplements for teaching or research tasks directly associated with the educational activity of researchers provided they do not negatively affect the purpose of the grant. Such compatible activities are subject to authorisation by the affiliated university in which the researcher is working. An affiliated institution must give notice to AGAUR of any such authorisation at the time it is given.

These grants are also compatible with grants for attendance at congresses, meetings and scientific conferences and grants for short research visits and other educational activity.

Each affiliated university must give notice to AGAUR of the award of any other grant or support for the same purpose by any other domestic or foreign government or public body at the time of submission of the relevant application and on grant.

Recipient institutions may increase the salary of funded researchers. Notice must be given to AGAUR of any such increase in remuneration which must be stated in the contract of employment and implemented in accordance with employment and tax laws and any applicable collective agreements.

Publicity

The support of the FI SDUR pre-doctoral programme and the Office Department of Research and Universities from the Government of Catalonia must be referenced in all publications and other results, including the grant reference number.

Regarding the European Social Fund Plus, each institution must:

- a) In all information published and communications include the emblem of the European Union, accompanied by the phrase "Co-funded by the European Union".
- b) Include a brief description of the research on its official website and social media accounts, to include the objectives and results of the grant and the financial support from the European Union.
- c) While the funded research is ongoing, display an A3 poster about the project in a publicly visible place that specifically mentions the financial support of the European Union. Such poster must be based on the model poster on AGAUR's website.
- d) In all institutional communications and publications and scientific dissemination, mention the involvement of the European Union and show its emblem accompanied by the phrase "Co-funded by the European Union" with English subtitles for greater accessibility.
- e) Ensure that researchers supported by these grants are aware of co-funding by the European Social Fund Plus. Mention co-funding by the European Social Fund Plus in any document given to participants or that is part of the grant or used for recruitment.

Open access

Recipient institutions and researchers must provide open access to scientific articles generated as part of the activity funded by this grant by depositing the final versions accepted for publication and associated data for such articles in institutional or subject repositories on their dates of publication.

Notifications:

The decision as to ineligible and withdrawn applications and the final grant award decision will be announced on the electronic noticeboard of the Government of Catalonia (<https://seu.gencat.cat/ca/informacio-publica.html>). By way of publicity and only for informative purposes, any decision may be seen on AGAUR's website.

Other administrative acts in relation to this procedure will be notified by electronic notice.