

CHIESI FOUNDATION ONLUS
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PROGRAM
CALL FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PROPOSALS 2018

FAQ

1) How do I submit an application for the Chiesi Foundation research grants?

An online platform with an e-form to be filled will be available by the end of June 2018 on the Chiesi Foundation [website](#). Applicants may submit proposals only through the online form. A specific guide will be provided once the online submission platform will be available.

A word Application Form is provided as fac-simile to inform all interested organizations about the information that are required in order to participate to the Calls for Proposals of the Chiesi Foundation.

2) Which are the deadlines for the submission of the research proposals?

The Call for Proposals in prenatal and neonatal care is open from June 1st to October 15th 20.00 CET.

The Call for Proposals in pulmonology and chronic respiratory diseases management is open from July 1st to November 15th 20.00 CET.

3) Which documentation do I need to submit while filling the Application form?

Additional documentation required at the submission phase is:

- CV of scientific coordinator
- Commitment letter from the Application organization that hosts the research, signed by its legal representative

4) Which organizations can apply?

Organizations that are not officially constituted and registered, political parties, trade union organizations, trade organizations, entities that are either directly or indirectly involved in lobbying or electoral campaigns to influence voting, entities working to limit the freedom and dignity of citizens or promoting any form of discrimination are not eligible for the Chiesi Foundation's scientific research grant.

Organizations that have already in place a collaboration/grant agreement with the Chiesi Foundation, in any of the ongoing program, may not apply until the above-mentioned agreement is expired.

Natural persons are never eligible for a Chiesi Foundation's grant.

5) Is there a word limit in the sections of the Application Form ?

If present, word limits and other restrictions are indicated in each section of the Application Form.

6) *Who is responsible of the evaluation of the research proposals? On the basis of which criteria is the evaluation carried on?*

The Scientific Committees of the Chiesi Foundation are responsible of the evaluation and selection of the proposals to which will be granted access to the Chiesi Foundation scientific research grants. The criteria adopted to admit a proposal to the evaluation process are:

- Eligibility of the applicants
- Coherence with the objectives stated in the Calls
- Correct submission of the proposals

In addition, the Scientific Committees of the Chiesi Foundation identified the following criteria to guide the evaluation:

Neonatology	Pulmonology
Potential life-saving	Scientific relevance
Socio-economic impact	Innovation
Scientific relevance and innovation	Methodology
Rational use of financial resources	Rational use of financial resources
Communication strategy efficacy	Communication strategy efficacy

7) *What is the expected level/professional role of the scientific coordinator?*

As far as the scientific coordinator is concerned, there is not expected level e.g. postdoctoral research officer, research fellow, professor, etc. The evaluation is based on the criteria described above.

8) *Is it possible to submit a bi-centric proposal? In this case, is it necessary to submit two commitment letters?*

It is possible to present a joint/bi-centric project. It is necessary to clearly indicate in the Application Form which is the Applicant organization and its legal responsible and to whom the grant will eventually be assigned. Other organisations involved will be indicated as partners but they will not have any formal agreement with the Chiesi Foundation. Applicants may provided only the commitment letter from the Applicant organization.

9) *Is it possible to indicate two scientific coordinators?*

The scientific coordinator must be one. Other members of the research team may be indicated in the appropriate section of the Application Form.

10) *How many team member's CV should be provided?*

Only the CV of the scientific coordinator is required.

11) *Is there a geographical limitation for the implementation of the research projects?*

There is not a geographical limitation for the implementation of the research projects.