The FNR has developed various thematic and structural funding instruments to support research projects in priority areas for Luxembourg and to strengthen the exchange between science and society. In the framework of these programmes, calls for project proposals are issued regularly. Retained projects will be partly or completely funded by the FNR.
Research Project Funding

CORE
The main FNR programme for funding of high-quality research projects in five priority domains: Innovation in Services, Sustainable Resources Management, Material Sciences, Biomedical and Health Sciences, Societal Challenges. The programme is dedicated to established and starting Principle Investigators.

1 call in 2018: Deadline 18.4.2018

OPEN
Research project funding in scientific fields not covered in the five thematic priorities of the CORE programme.

1 call in 2018: Deadline 6.6.2018

Strategic Research Priorities

PEARL
Attracting established leading researchers in strategically relevant areas for Luxembourg.

1 call in 2018: Deadline 16.10.2018

NCER
Funding allocated to research consortia with a proven record of scientific excellence to tackle a research question with a long-term socio-economic impact.

National Center of Excellence in Parkinson ongoing. Further activities to be defined in 2018.

Talent Attraction and Capacity Building

ATTRACT
Funding to attract outstanding researchers (between 2 and 8 years after their PhD) with high potential in strategic research areas in order to set up a research group in Luxembourg.

1 call in 2017/18: Deadline 15.11.2017 (pre-proposal), 20.2.2018 (full proposal)
1 call in 2018/19: Deadline end 2018 (pre-proposal) (dates to be announced)

PRIDE
The main FNR programme for funding PhD training in Luxembourg-based research institutions. Blocks of PhD grants are allocated to selected Doctoral Training Units committed to high-quality doctoral research and training programmes.

1 call in 2017: Deadline 11.10.2017 (Commitment of participation)
Deadline 1.12.2017 (full proposal)
Next call in 2019

AFR INDIVIDUAL
Individual candidates to apply for PhD training in high-quality research environments in Luxembourg and abroad.

1 call in 2018: Deadline 15.3.2018

Innovation and Industry Partnership Programs

BRIDGES
(former CORE PPP and AFR PPP)

Bridges: Support applied research that meets the needs of industrial partners.

Industrial Fellowships: Support researchers who carry out their PhD or postdoc training in collaboration with a company in Luxembourg. Open to all domains.

2 calls in 2018: Deadlines for Bridges and Industrial Fellowships: 20.4.2018 and 12.10.2018

JUMP
(former POC, split into two phases: Pathfinder & POC)
The JUMP programme is the FNR’s facilitation programme for successful commercialisation of research results with the goal of encouraging the translation of high-impact research into commercially viable innovations. The JUMP programme, structured into two phases, Pathfinder and Proof of Concept, is open to all domains.

2 calls in 2018: Deadlines for both Pathfinder and POC: 16.3.2018 and 28.9.2018

PEARL
The main FNR programme for funding PhD training in Luxembourg-based research institutions.

1 call in 2018: Deadline 16.10.2018

Funding to attract outstanding researchers (between 2 and 8 years after their PhD) with high potential in strategic research areas in order to set up a research group in Luxembourg.

Promoting Science & Science Communication

SCIENCE IN SOCIETY & PSP
The FNR offers platforms and funding to foster the exchange between science and society. Researchers may benefit from training in science communication, take part in events for the general public, and use the FNR media and web channels to communicate their research.

In addition to these exchange platforms, the PSP-Classic and PSP-Flagship programmes provide researchers with funding for their own science outreach activities.

2 PSP-Classic calls in 2018: Deadlines 1.3.2018 and 20.10.2018
PSP-Flagship call in 2018: Deadline 15.5.2018

FNR AWARDS
The FNR allocates annual awards for outstanding results in four categories: “Outstanding Promotion of Science to the Public”, “Outstanding Scientific Publications”, “Outstanding PhD Thesis” and “Outstanding Research-Driven Innovation”.

1 call in 2018: Deadline 8.2.2018

RESCOM
Grants for the organisation of outstanding international scientific conferences and lecture series in Luxembourg, as well as for scientific monographs.

2 calls in 2018: Deadlines on 20.1.2018 and 30.6.2018

PUBLIC
Aims to support collaborative research projects between research institutions and the public sector (public bodies or authorities).

Next call: to be decided at a later stage

OPEN ACCESS FUND
Promotes the free access to research results from FNR-(co)funded projects and provides financial support to cover article processing charges that may arise through the publication of peer-reviewed research results in Open Access.

1 call in 2018: Deadline 30.4.2018