

Academy of Finland-seminar:

Updates on Joint Calls with NSF and NIH

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Purpose of the seminar:

The Academy of Finland (AoF) has two partners in the United States: the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The Academy and the American funders have agreed to promote Finnish-American research collaboration in 2020–2024. Cooperation will be strengthened by funding research projects between American and Finnish parties in areas represented by the research flagships included in the Academy's Finnish Flagship Program. This seminar is part of the FARIAincubator preparation program aiming to provide up-to-date information and advice regarding upcoming joint calls between AoF and its partners NSF and NIH. Aim of this seminar is to inform about the general framework for the upcoming calls.

Target group: Researchers in flagship areas looking to apply together with US-colleagues for joint funding calls.

Date & time: 27.10.2022, 4.15-5.15 pm EEST (online)

Program:

Welcome & introduction

The FARIAincubator program: Short updates on drop-in mentoring

Academy of Finland: Joint Fin-US research funding opportunities with NSF and NIH – Call logics and updates

Q & A

Concluding remarks

Background:

The *Academy of Finland* is an expert organization in science and research that funds high-quality scientific research, provides expertise in science and science policy and strengthens the position of science and research. We are a government agency within the administrative branch of the Finnish Ministry of Education, Science and Culture.

The cooperation with both the NIH and the NSF is carried out in the context of the Flagship Program. The funding will be granted via a mechanism called Lead Agency. Under the mechanism, proposers from both countries collaborate to write a single proposal, which will be submitted to a funding call organized by the US funder. Proposers from Finland will be requested to submit a version of the proposal to the Academy as well. The instructions for Finnish applicants will be posted on the Academy's website.

The *Finnish-American Research & Innovation Accelerator* (FARIA) is a network of currently 12 Finnish universities and 4 universities of applied sciences. It represents 89 % of the national RDI-power within the higher education sector.

The network serves as:

1. a strategic US-focused platform, which integrates, aligns and supports joint & associated actions of Finnish member institutions.
2. a launch pad for concrete RDI-projects from funding generation to implementation.

The *FARIAincubator* is a program that creates joint project teams and prepares them to apply for funding. The preparation is conducted via a series of four online seminars which aim to share up to date information of the joint Finnish-US calls and coaching by experienced grant writers.

While the seminar is part of the FARIAincubator seminar series, researchers not participating in the program are welcome join this session.